

Morse code proficiency must be a requirement for certain amateur radio operators licenses. The US must maintain a pool of qualified CW operators. The Russian, Chinese and N. Korean military still employ CW HF communications. It has been stated many times in many ways that in the event of national emergency, either resulting from natural or terrorist acts, HF CW is the most reliable means of communications.

Morse code requirement for an amateur radio license has been reduced enough for General Class ticket, however, requirement should be eliminated for Technician ticket and increased to at least 12 wpm as a minimum for Extra Class license.

Sincerely yours
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